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DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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2 anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

3 *Whereas, December 7, 2016 will mark 75 years since the*
4 *attack on Pearl Harbor, “a date which will live in infamy,” as*
5 *stated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt before a joint session*
6 *of Congress;*

7 *Whereas, The Imperial Japanese Navy launched a surprise*
8 *air attack against American military forces stationed at the*
9 *United States naval base at Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii*
10 *at 7:55 a.m. on December 7, 1941;*

11 *Whereas, 353 Japanese aircraft attacked in two waves,*
12 *crippling the Pacific Fleet in less than two hours, despite being*
13 *outnumbered by American forces 5 to 1;*

14 *Whereas, The Japanese sunk four United States Navy*
15 *battleships and damaged four others; sank or damaged three*
16 *cruisers, three destroyers, an anti-aircraft training ship, and*
17 *one minelayer; destroyed 188 United States aircraft; and killed*
18 *2,402 men and women, and wounded 1,282;*

19 *Whereas, The losses for the Japanese were relatively light*
20 *as they lost 29 aircraft and five midget submarines, and 65 of*
21 *their service people were killed or wounded;*



1 *Whereas, The attack on Pearl Harbor was a shock to the*
2 *American people resulting in a disappearance of support for*
3 *isolationism, a unification of the nation like nothing before, and*
4 *an active alliance with Great Britain, which had previously*
5 *been limited to clandestine support;*

6 *Whereas, On December 8, the United States declared war*
7 *on Japan, which resulted in Germany and Italy declaring war*
8 *on the United States on December 11, which was reciprocated*
9 *by the United States the same day;*

10 *Whereas, Fourteen survivors of the attack, who were*
11 *members of the former Pearl Harbor Survivors Association,*
12 *reside in the State of Indiana currently; and*

13 *Whereas, December 7, 1941 is one of the most infamous*
14 *days in American history and its importance cannot be*
15 *overstated, thus commemorating the 75th anniversary of the*
16 *attack on Pearl Harbor is essential as both a reminder of the*
17 *attack and to honor the American forces that defended our*
18 *country so valiantly that fateful day: Therefore,*

19 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly*
20 *of the State of Indiana, the House of Representatives concurring:*

21 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly commemorates
22 the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor to honor the men and
23 women who valiantly fought to protect the United States of America
24 that day.

25 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
26 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Indiana State Chairman of the
27 Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors, James M. Laud, Sr.,
28 and the remaining Indiana Pearl Harbor survivors.

